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FOR THE SECRETARY FROM ATHERTON

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, LE, US

SUBJECT: ACTION MEMORANDUM: SECURITY FORCE FOR LEBANON
(S/S NO. 7608656)

REF: BEIRUT 3664

1. CHARGE WARING REPORTS (REFTEL) THAT QUESTIONS ARE BEING RAISED IN BEIRUT CONCERNING YOUR COMMENTS IN LONDON ABOUT THE CREATION OF A SECURITY FORCE. PRINCIPAL INTEREST CENTERS ON THE QUESTION OF WHAT YOU MEANT BY A QUOTE STRICTLY LEBANESE FORCE UNQUOTE. WARING HIMSELF RECOMMENDS THAT WE BE SOMEWHAT VAGUE ABOUT SPECIFICS AT THIS TIME. I SUGGEST YOU SEND WARING THE GUIDANCE CONTAINED IN THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE, AND ALSO AUTHORIZE MURPHY TO DRAW ON IT IF HE RECEIVES QUERIES.

2. BEGIN TEXT:

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TO: BEIRUT IMMEDIATE, DAMASCUS IMMEDIATE

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FOR CHARGE FROM THE SECRETARY

I AGREE WITH YOU THAT WE SHOULD BE SOMEWHAT VAGUE ABOUT SPECIFICS OF A SECURITY FORCE AT THIS TIME. AS YOU WILL SEE FROM THE TRANSCRIPT OF MY COMMENTS IN LONDON (LONDON 6272) I WAS TALKING ABOUT A LEBANESE FORCE DRAWN FROM LEBANESE FACTIONS OR SEPARATELY RECRUITED. IN ANSWER TO THE QUERIES YOU ARE RECEIVING, YOU SHOULD SAY THAT WE CONSIDER THE NATURE OF A SECURITY FORCE TO BE THE DECISION OF A NEW PRESIDENT WHEN HE IS ELECTED AND WE DO NOT WISH TO PRESCRIBE FOR HIM HOW SUCH A FORCE SHOULD BE SET UP. YOU MAY SAY THAT IN MY LONDON COMMENTS I WAS SIMPLY REFERRING TO THE DISCUSSIONS THAT ARE TAKING PLACE IN LEBANON ABOUT A SECURITY FORCE WITHOUT ATTEMPTING TO PREDETERMINE WHAT SUCH A FORCE SHOULD BE.

FOR DAMASCUS: MURPHY MAY ALSO DRAW ON FOREGOING GUIDANCE IN RESPONSE TO ANY QUERIES HE MAY RECEIVE.

END TEXT.

3. RECOMMENDATION: THAT YOU APPROVE THE ABOVE MESSAGE.
APPROVE.....DISAPPROVE.....

4. DRAFTTD: NEA:ARDA APPROVED: NEA:ALATHERTON, JR.
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